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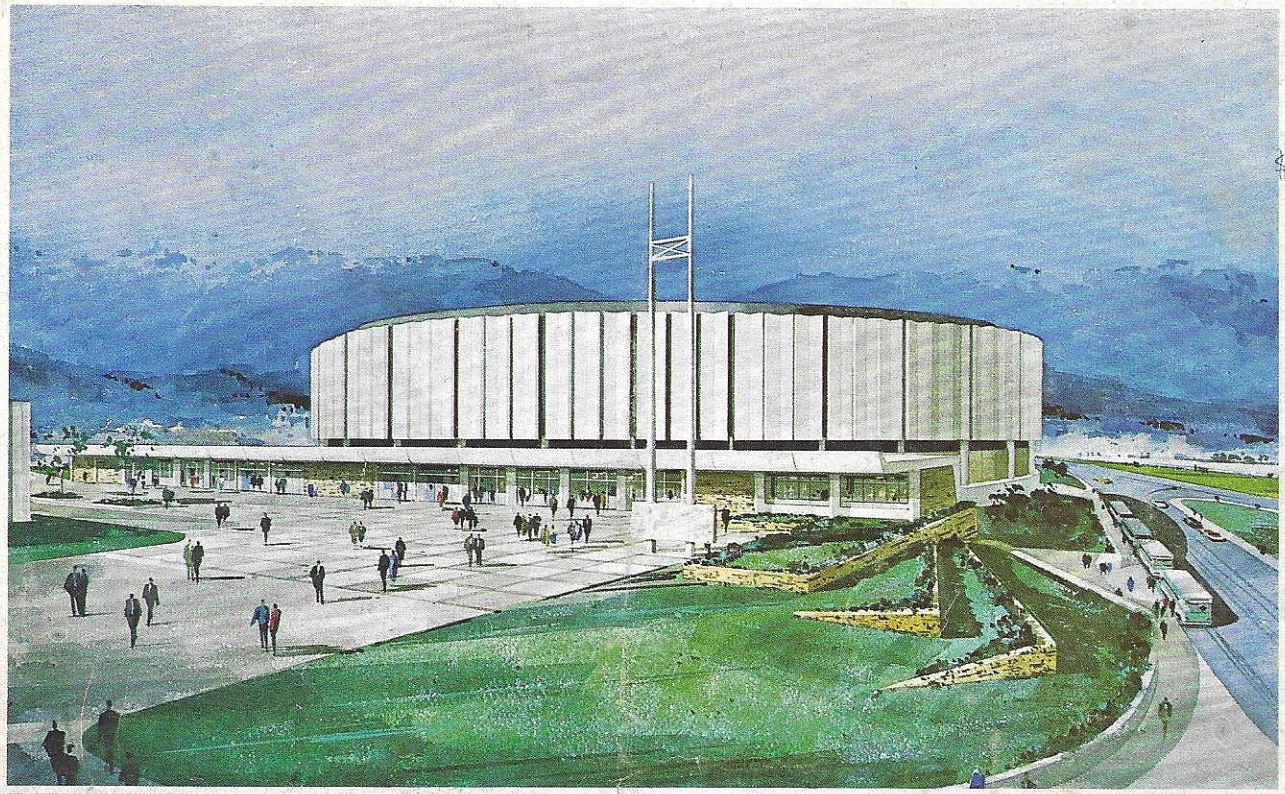

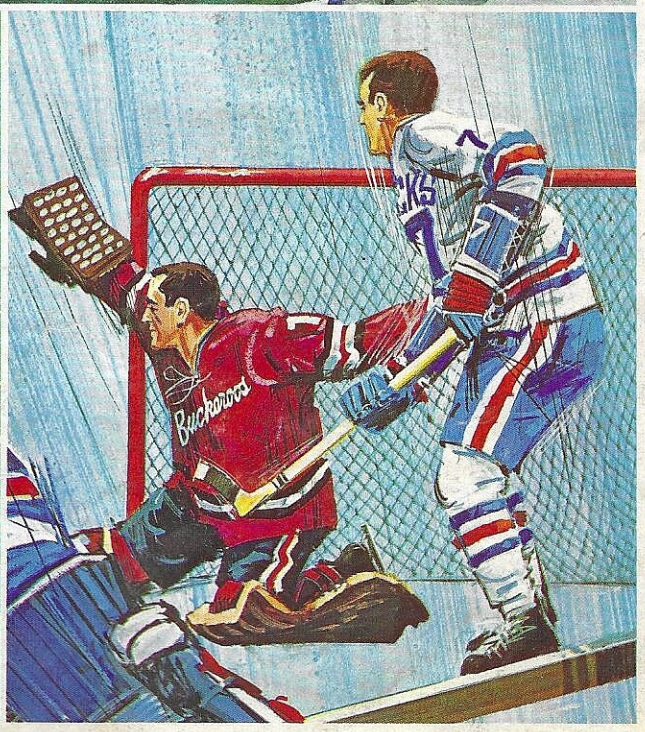

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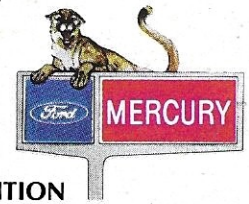

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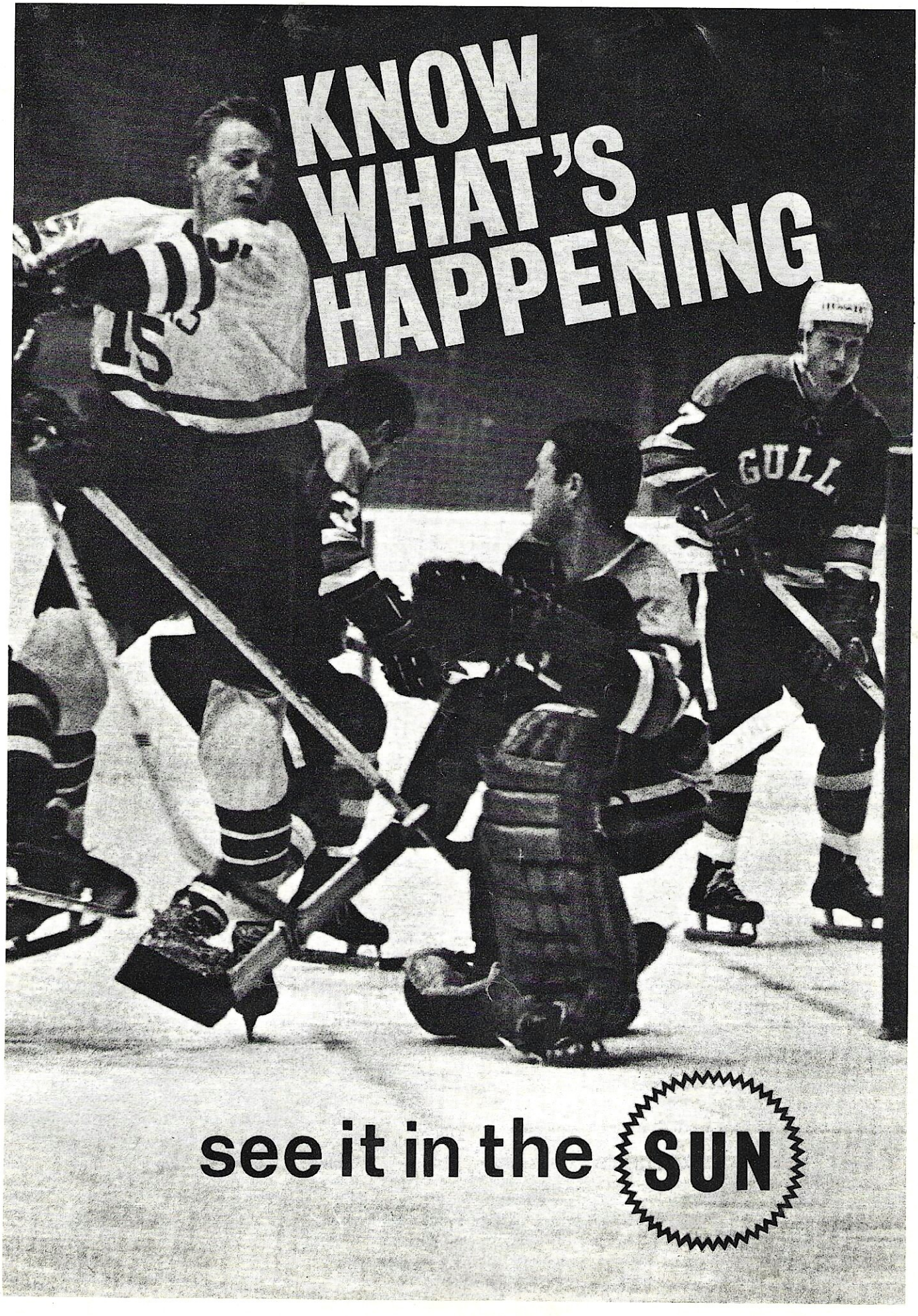
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Laycoe's Not Most Popular Person in Montreal

HABS STILL SIMMERING OVER RICHARD EPISODE

By DENNY BOYD

THE VANCOUVER SUN

Harold R. Laycoe is a mild man.

Standing behind those goggly glasses and dressed in the conservative clothes that he favors, he looks more like a friendly librarian than the manager-coach of one of the most successful franchises in minor league hockey.

Most certainly, he bears no resemblance whatsoever to a person who was a factor in the blackest episode in the history of hockey and one side in a feud that, for all we know, is still simmering.

But if you look it up, you'll find that Laycoe had a large, if unwilling, role in the infamous St. Patrick's Day Riot in Montreal in 1955. And if the actual riot, and the events that led up to it, were unusual, then the aftermath, as it related to Laycoe, was utterly bizarre.

Laycoe did not always run the Portland Buckaroos (although, to a lot of his losing contemporaries, it may seem he has always been in Portland). Once, many years ago, he was a string-bean defenceman for the Boston Bruins and it was his proud boast that all the time he was in the big leagues, no-one ever succeeded in knocking off the steel-rimmed glasses he wore taped to the sides of his head.

But one night, **Maurice (The Rocket) Richard,** almost knocked the glasses, and Laycoe's head, into the fourth row of seats. And that is how it all started, the spark that triggered a fire of rioting, tear-gas, looting and ugly hatred.

The year was 1955, one week before the end of the NHL season. Montreal was leading Detroit by four points and Richard seemed destined to win the first scoring championship of his fiery career.

The Canadiens went to Boston for a Sunday night game and, at the end of two periods, Boston was ahead. **Dick Irvin,** the Montreal coach, got on Richard's back between periods, goading, needling, trying to ignite Richard's famous temper. He went a bit too far. By the time the teams went back onto the ice for the third period, Richard was at a dangerous emotional level.

On one of his first rushes, Richard went into a corner, with Laycoe riding him off, and Laycoe's stick cut Richard's scalp. Richard went berserk. He clubbed Laycoe to the ice and when the linesman tried to intervene, Richard dropped him with one punch.

Later, Richard, Irvin, **Kenny Reardon, Frank Selke** of the Canadiens and Laycoe were summoned to a special hearing in New York chaired by NHL president **Clarence Campbell.** Laycoe earned the everlasting emnity of the Montreal hierarchy by bringing a lawyer with him.

Campbell suspended Richard for the balance of the season—three games and the playoffs—a sentence that ultimately cost him the scoring championship.

HAL LAYCOE
. . . centre of controversy

On St. Patrick's Night, the second to last home game of the season for Montreal, the crowd was in an ugly mood over the banishment of their folk hero. And their mood boiled over when Campbell, in an act of incomprehensible foolishness, walked into the Montreal Forum and took his usual seat. He was pelted with vegetables, eggs and galoshes. Several fans tried to attack him. As police officers attempted to hustle Campbell away from the crowd, someone dropped a tear gas bomb. At that point, the game was called off.

But the crowd, still looking for vengeance, attacked its own city. Windows were smashed, fires were set, stores were looted, scores of rioters were arrested and the damage total was $100,000.

The game was forfeited to Detroit and the Wings went on to beat the Canadiens in the last game of the season and win the league title. With Richard out, teammate **Bernie Geoffrion** won the scoring championship and every Richard fan hated him for it, for reasons of Gallic logic.

The Montreal brass, instead of living with the fact that Richard always had a hair-trigger temper, and had been goaded into his eruption by his own coach, chose to blame Laycoe for the entire incident. On one of his last visits to Vancouver, Selke told me that Richard's suspension would not have been so severe had not Laycoe pressured Campbell by bringing a lawyer with him.

At any rate, the Canadiens never forgave and they never forgot.

It has been said by some knowledgeable hockey people that the powerful Canadiens' organization tried to invoke a blackball to prevent Laycoe from ever becoming an NHL coach, despite his minor league successes.

And a few years ago, when Montreal succeeded in temporarily drafting **Art Jones** from Portland, a gleeful **Kenny Reardon** burst out of the draft-meeting and told the assembled press, "Well, at last we got even with Laycoe."

And Laycoe never, never gets Christmas cards from the Canadiens.

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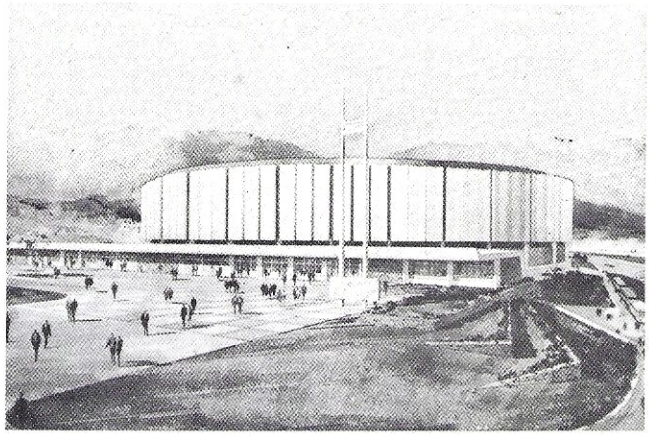

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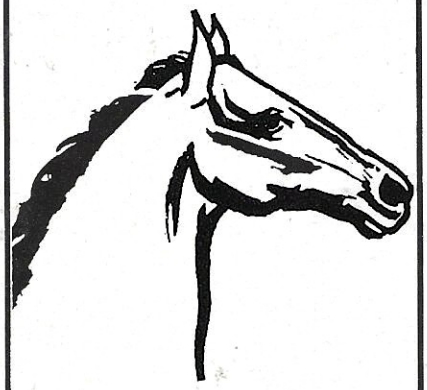

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By HAL SIGURDSON
THE VANCOUVER SUN

You run across the most interesting things in hockey player guides . . . like carefully hushed up middle names, almost forgotten achievements, a really all-encompassing bag of facts.

But mostly you read about trades, often many in the life of a single player. When that talented young man who stood 'em on their ears as a junior decides on a professional career, he had better resign himself to one fact.

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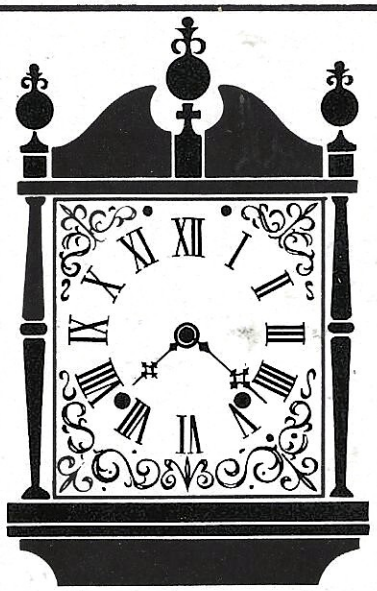

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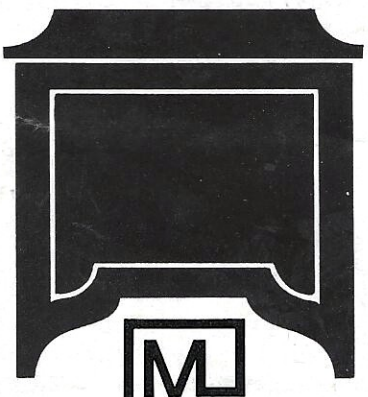

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Art Jones	Portland	70	34	53	87
Len Ronson	San Diego	72	45	35	80
Guyle Fielder	Seattle	70	15	55	70
Fred Hilts	San Diego	64	35	33	68
Del Topoll	Phoenix	72	26	42	68
Phil Maloney	**Vancouver**	72	22	46	68
Alex Faulkner	San Diego	71	26	41	67
Bill Saunders	Portland	72	38	26	64
Norm Johnson	Portland	72	23	40	63
Gordon Vejprava	**Vancouver**	70	26	36	62
Bruce Carmichael	**Vancouver**	71	31	30	61
Bill Dineen	Seattle	72	28	33	61
Al Nicholson	San Diego	72	28	33	61
Tom McVie	Phoenix	71	29	31	60
Warren Hynes	San Diego	72	18	42	60
Cliff Schmautz	Portland	69	26	33	59
Walt McKechnie	Phoenix	67	24	30	54
Willie O'Ree	San Diego	66	21	33	54
Larry Lund	Seattle	68	16	37	53
Dick Van Impe	Portland	72	18	31	49
Lou Jankowski	Phoenix	72	25	23	48
Bob Kabel	Phoenix	70	16	32	48
Chuck Holmes	Seattle	72	23	24	47
Arnie Schmautz	Portland	72	17	29	46
Andy Hebenton	Portland	70	16	29	45
Earl Heiskala	Seattle	71	26	18	44
John MacMillan	San Diego	72	12	32	44
Doug Messier	Portland	66	9	35	44
Gordie Sinclair	San Diego	72	10	33	43
Don Chiz	Seattle	72	18	24	42
Stan Gilbertson	**Vancouver**	69	18	24	42
Larry Leach	Portland	72	21	20	41
Rollie Wilcox	Phoenix	65	14	26	40
Dick Lamoureux	Phoenix	67	13	27	40
Mel Pearson	Portland	68	19	20	39
Mike Corbett	**Vancouver**	70	17	21	38
Marc Boileau	Seattle	66	6	31	37
Ross Perkins	San Diego	54	15	21	36
Dan Belisle	**Vancouver**	66	15	20	35
Bill McNeill	**Vancouver**	41	11	24	35
Gerry Leonard	Seattle	71	16	16	32
Gordie Redahl	Phoenix	52	16	16	32
Cleland Mortson	Seattle	72	11	21	32
Ed Ehrenverth	San Diego	72	10	22	32
Connie Madigan	Portland	59	7	25	32
Alex 'Sandy' Hucul	Phoenix	71	6	26	32
Barry Watson	**Vancouver**	60	10	21	31
Bob Lemieux	**Vancouver**	44	10	21	31
Larry Hale	Seattle	70	9	19	28
Bob Courcy	Seattle	31	11	16	27
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ROCKY FARR

One of the few bright spots in the plans of Rudy Pilous and his Denver Spurs this season has been the fine play of rookie goaltender Normand (Rocky) Farr. "The kid has shown a lot of heart this year," Pilous says. "Some nights he gets absolutely bombed back there but he never gives up the battle. He's going to be a great one some day."

Farr, a native of St. Catherines, Ont., is just 23 years old. A Montreal product, he played his junior hockey in both Montreal and London of the OHA.

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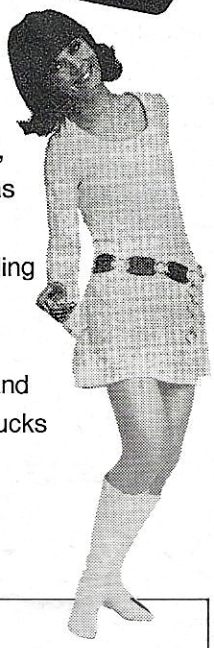

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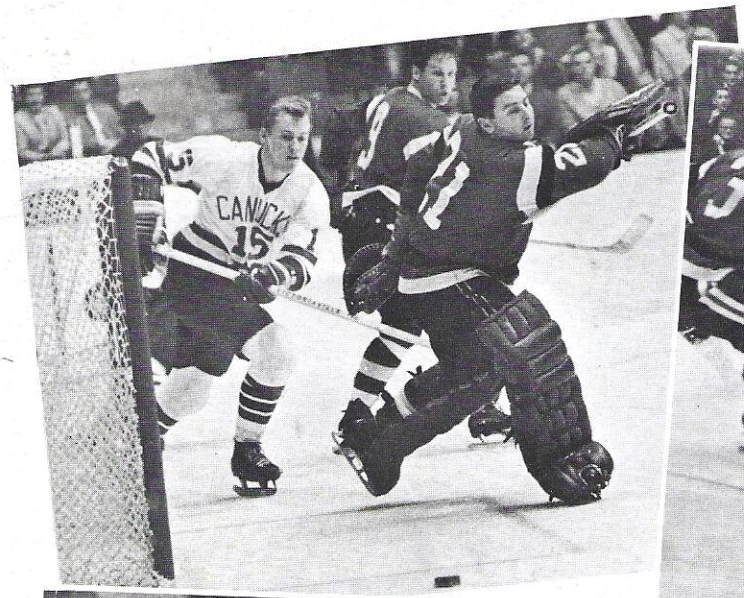

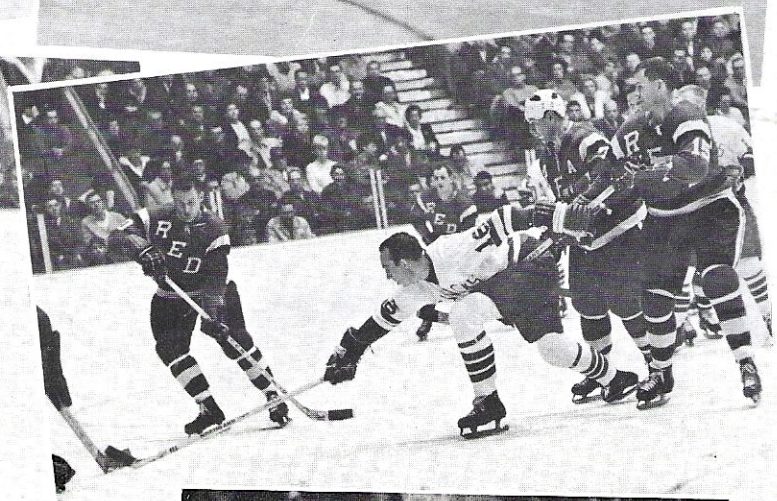

An Inside Look Shows Varying Personalities On Canuck Road Trips

By CLANCY LORANGER
THE VANCOUVER PROVINCE

There's nothing like a tour or two of distant lands to broaden one's perspective, and a couple of jaunts around the Western Hockey League with the Canucks proved enlightening to this foreign correspondent.

It takes a week or two on the road with a team to get to know its personnel as people rather than numbers surrounded by statistics from past seasons, and there are always a few surprises.

Some players who haven't said two words to you all season turn out to be voluble and erudite, and it's sometimes disheartening to learn that some rough, rugged character giggles after two beers.

One man who lived up to his big league billing was **Andy Bathgate.** I had talked to Bathgate before, of course, over the years, and I knew him to be an articulate and polished product of some 15 years in the National Hockey League.

But because of his standing as one of hockey's superstars, Bathgate could have been forgiven if he had chosen to assume a role as big daddy among a group of players who hadn't had his advantages.

Bathgate, however, is not that way at all; he's just the opposite, in fact.

"His attitude is great," says a pleased **Joe Crozier.** "There isn't a better team man, on or off the ice. He's a leader."

He's a teacher, too, as **John Gofton** will attest. He talks hockey to his rookie left winger all the time, and has spent extra time on the ice with the youngster teaching him the finer points of the game.

Andy can be a needler, too. Some of the players felt that one of their number wasn't putting out as much as he should, which led to this vignette on a bus heading for the arena one night.

Player: "So-and-so says he's ready to go tonight."

Bathgate: "Yeah — until he gets to the rink."

Another incident: The Canucks had just got off a plane in Phoenix, and most of them had piled their equipment bags alongside the bus that was to take them to their motel.

So who was the player who turned out to help trainer **Eddie Shamlock** pack the equipment into the baggage compartment? You're right.

DARRYL SLY
. . . front office future?

Another man of many parts is defenceman **Darryl Sly.** Darryl is just 29, so he has a lot of playing time ahead of him yet. But some day Sly will be in a hockey front office somewhere—most likely with Crozier.

Sly has been with Crozier since Joe took over at Rochester in 1963, and he is the coach's good right arm in more ways than one.

A quiet, pipe-smoking type, Sly is Crozier's assistant coach and, on the road, a road secretary, chief waker-upper, and general factotum.

An easterner from Collingwood, Ont., who had played all of his hockey back there, Sly wasn't eager to pull up his roots and come West to Vancouver when the Canucks bought the Rochester franchise.

But, as he said, "wherever Joe wants me, that's where I'll go."

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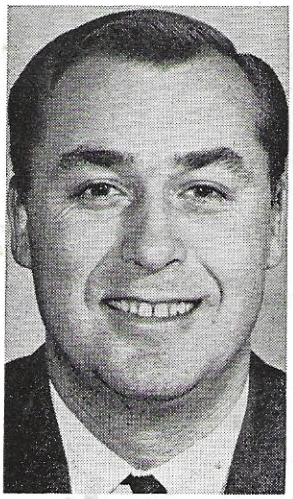

HAL SIGURDSON

By HAL SIGURDSON

THE VANCOUVER SUN

Cab driver, once more round the park . . .

And so once again an attempt to secure a National Hockey League franchise has ended in failure as the NHL governors by a 9-3 vote rejected Oakland's bid to move the Seals to our piece of Hysteria-by-the-sea.

By now most Vancouver hockey fans are so inured to it all, it only hurts when they laugh.

This time, though, failure had a silver lining. There is a strong suggestion the next expansion will take place well before NHL president **Clarence Campbell's** prediction of 1972-73 season.

It has also produced an interesting theory.

There is a strong feeling in many quarters that the NHL will not expand again until financial stability in Oakland has been achieved.

And oddly enough, that may well rest in the hands of the men who only weeks ago were viewed as Vancouver's most dangerous rivals for the Oakland franchise.

Since the NHL appears determined to stay in the Bay Area, no matter how much money it costs somebody else, the brothers **Knox — Northrup** and **Seymour** — who wanted the Seals for Buffalo are now negotiating to buy the club and keep it in Oakland.

The deal they want to make with the NHL is the promise of a franchise for Buffalo if they succeed in putting the ailing Seals on their feet in Oakland.

Vancouver would gain admittance to the lodge at the same time.

All this will require a sharp change in thinking by Vancouver hockey fans.

Until now fans here have grabbed for the Oakland summaries, not to see whether the Seals won or lost, but to check the attendance figures.

Then they would triumphantly snort: "Aha, the NHL just can't go on losing that kind of money in Oakland. They'll simply have to move the team to Vancouver."

Now the slogan may become: "Go to Oakland and buy a ticket to see the Seals."

The wheel may just have come full turn. From now on Vancouver could find itself pulling for Oakland to make it.

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Kinsmen Shmockey Night—Jan. 30, 8:00 p.m.
Hockey—Portland vs. Vancouver Canucks—Jan. 31, 8:00 p.m.
National House Builders Convention—Feb. 3 to 5
Hockey—Denver vs. Vancouver Canucks—Feb. 7, 8:00 p.m.
Basketball—UBC vs. SFU—Feb. 8, 8:00 p.m.
Basketball—UBC vs. SFU—Feb. 10, 8:00 p.m.
Hockey—Phoenix vs. Vancouver Canucks—Feb. 11, 8:00 p.m.
Hockey—Phoenix vs. Vancouver Canucks—Feb. 14, 8:00 p.m.
Achilles International Track Meet—Feb. 15
Hockey—Seattle vs. Vancouver Canucks—Feb. 21, 8:00 p.m.
Hockey—San Diego vs. Vancouver Canucks—Feb. 23, 2:30 p.m.
Wrestling—Feb. 24, 8:00 p.m.
Hockey—Seattle vs. Vancouver Canucks—Feb. 25, 8:00 p.m.
Boat Show—Feb. 28 to March 9—Weekdays 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., Saturdays 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., Sundays 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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Boat Show—Same as above.

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Home Show—Same as above.
Boat Show—Same as above.

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Concert—The Collectors—Feb. 1, 8:00 p.m.
Professional Wrestling—Feb. 3, 10 & 17, 8:30 p.m.
Golden Gloves Amateur Boxing—Feb. 7 & 8, 7:00 p.m.
Concert and Dance—Feb. 14, 9:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Vancouver Judo Club Show—Feb. 15, 7:00 p.m.

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PRESS BOX CHATTER

The latest addition to the Vancouver Canucks' lineup is one young man who is bound to steal the hearts of more than a few WHL followers. **James Claude McKenny,** 22, is probably one of the most colorful kids to graduate from the Toronto Marlies junior chain in quite some time.

His nickname throughout hockey is 'Howie,' mainly because during his Junior A days in the OHA he made no secret of the fact his idle was rambunctious **Howie Young,** today of the Chicago Black Hawks.

McKenny's big — six feet, 185 pounds — and he likes to lug the puck out of his own end, which is one of the reasons **Joe Crozier** has had him playing a lot of rightwing with the Rochester Americans this season. The perfect example unfolded in Phoenix last Tuesday when he scored his first goal as a Canuck 15 seconds into the second period. The play began at the Canuck end of the rink and after a return pass from **Bryan Hextall,** McKenny plunked it behind a dazzled **Ken Broderick** in the Phoenix goal.

"McKenny hustles," Crozier says. "He'll add a lot of spark to our defence — and when I get in trouble on the right side, I can always throw him on a forward line."

A few of the present Canuck players who hadn't met McKenny were just a bit startled when he arrived in Phoenix prior to that Tuesday game. He came decked out in bell-bottoms, a turtle-neck and the long curls that **Punch Imlach** would never allow him to wear.

No doubt, you're going to like McKenny. He's a character — but a character with talent.

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4 — BILL FRIDAY
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10 — BOB SLOAN
11 — WALLY HARRIS
12 — TOM SMITH
14 — YVES TESSIER
15 — LLOYD GILMORE
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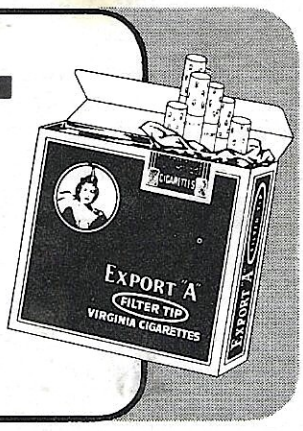

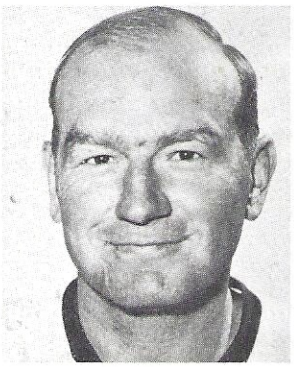

Salutes the Vancouver Canucks star of the month...

DUKE HARRIS

George (Duke) Harris quickly became one of the most popular players on the Canucks this season with his blazing slapshot and continuous hustle. He's heading into this last half of the season with 14 goals and nine assists. The 26-year-old rightwinger has been taking his regular shift, killing penalties and skating regularly on the Canuck power play combinations. Popular with the fans . . . but unpopular as far as opposing goaltenders are concerned!

SEATTLE TOTEMS 1968-69 ROSTER

PLAYER	HGT.	WGT.	PLACE OF BIRTH	DATE	1967-68 CLUB	1967-68 RECORD			
Forwards						GP	G	A	P
FIELDER, GUYLE	5 - 9	162	Potlatch, Idaho	Nov. 21/30	Seattle	70	15	55	70
DINEEN, BILL	5 - 11	190	Arvida, Que.	Sept. 18/32	Seattle	72	28	33	61
BOILEAU, MARC	5 - 11	170	Pointe Claire, Que.	Sept. 3/32	Seattle	66	6	31	37
POWERS, JIM	6	190	Lethbridge, Alta.	Sept. 30/36	Providence	56	8	19	27
LUND, LARRY	6 - 1	175	Penticton, B.C.	Sept. 9/40	Seattle	68	16	37	53
HOLMES, CHUCK	6	185	Edmonton, Alta.	Sept. 21/34	Seattle	72	23	24	47
CHIZ, DON	5 - 10	173	Edmonton, Alta.	Sept. 26/40	Seattle	72	18	24	42
LEONARD, GERRY	5 - 11	173	Edmonton, Alta.	Mar. 30/36	Seattle	71	16	16	32
MICHIE, JACK	5 - 9	171	Eston, Sask.	Feb. 10/46	First Year Professional				
COURCY, BOB	5 - 11	170	Granby, Que.	Jan. 4/36	Seattle	31	11	16	27
STRATTON, ART	6 - 1	175	Winnipeg, Man.	Oct. 8/35	Pitts.-Phila.	70	16	25	41
HEISKALA, EARL	6	185	Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Nov. 30/42	Seattle	71	26	18	44
Defencemen									
LaROSE, RAY	6	184	Waterloo, Que.	Nov. 21/41	Seattle	41	5	7	12
WARD, DON	6 - 3	215	Sarnia, Ont.	Oct. 19/35	Seattle	70	2	12	14
KILPATRICK, GARY	6 - 1	190	Victoria, B.C.	June 29/43	Seattle	55	3	6	9
HANNA, JOHN	5 - 10	175	Sydney, N.S.	Apr. 5/35	Phila.-Quebec	39	1	12	13
RODGERS, KEN	5 - 11	185	Cut Knife, Sask.	June 25/47	Knox.-Salem	49	2	20	22
Goaltenders						GP	GA	SO	AV
HEAD, DON	5 - 10	200	Mount Dennis, Ont.	June 30/33	Seattle	46	114	3	2.52
ARMSTRONG, JIM	5 - 10	190	Omemee, Ont.	Mar. 1/43	Seattle	29	82	0	2.96

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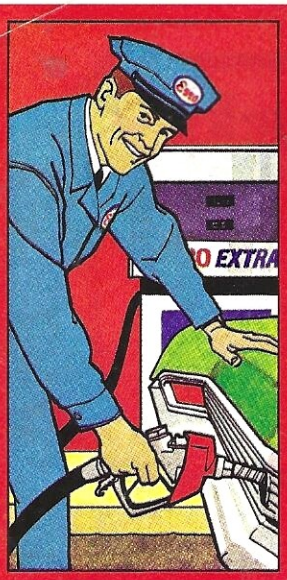

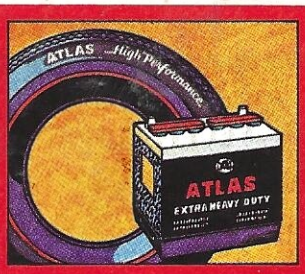

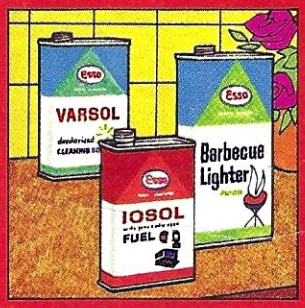

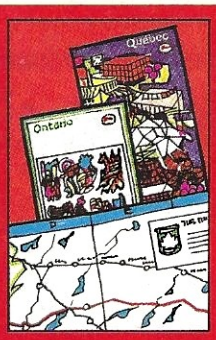

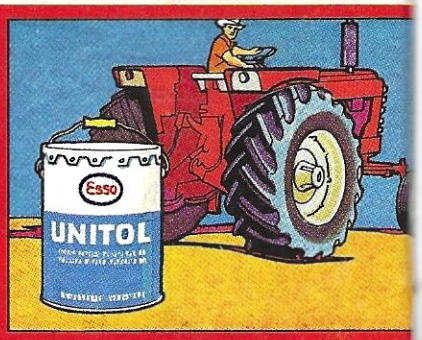

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TRAINER — PAT DUNN

1	DON HEAD, Goal
30	JIM ARMSTRONG, Goal
2	KEN RODGERS, Defence
3	JOHN HANNA, Defence
4	GARY KILPATRICK, Defence
5	DON WARD, Defence
7	GUYLE FIELDER, Forward
8	BILL DINEEN, Forward
9	MARC BOILEAU, Forward
10	JIM POWERS, Forward
11	LARRY LUND, Forward
12	CHUCK HOLMES, Forward
14	DON CHIZ, Forward
15	ART STRATTON, Forward
16	GERRY LEONARD, Forward
17	JACK MICHIE, Forward
18	BOB COURCY, Forward
20	EARL HEISKALA, Forward
21	RAY LaROSE, Defence

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1	GEORGE GARDNER, Goal
30	AL MILLAR, Goal
30	CHARLIE HODGE, Goal
2	MARC REAUME, Defence
3	DON JOHNS, Defence
4	DARRYL SLY, Defence
5	DON CHERRY, Defence
6	BOB LEMIEUX, Defence
7	BOB BARLOW, Forward
8	PHIL MALONEY, Forward
9	ANDY BATHGATE, Forward
10	TED TAYLOR, Forward
11	TED McCASKILL, Forward
12	BRYAN HEXTALL, Forward
14	GERMAIN GAGNON, Forward
15	JIM McKENNY, Defence
17	MURRAY HALL, Forward
18	DUKE HARRIS, Forward
19	LEN LUNDE, Forward

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Forwards						GP	G	A	P
LUNDE, LEN	6 - 1	195	Campbell River, Alta	Nov. 13/36	Roch.-Minnesota	44	19	34	53
TAYLOR, TED	6	175	Brandon, Man.	Feb. 25/42	Roch.-Minnesota	68	17	21	38
BARLOW, BOB	5 - 10	175	Hamilton, Ont.	June 17/35	Rochester	72	43	52	95
MALONEY, PHIL,	5 - 9	170	Ottawa, Ont.	Oct. 6/27	Vancouver	72	22	46	68
HALL, MURRAY	6	176	Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Nov. 24/40	Minn.-Mem.-Roch.	67	22	23	45
HARRIS, DUKE	5 - 10	180	Sarnia, Ont.	Feb. 25/42	Min.-F. Wrth,-Tor.-Ro.	67	12	32	44
GAGNON, GERMAIN	6	175	Chicoutimi, Que.	Dec. 9/42	Memphis	65	26	34	60
HEXTALL, BRYAN	5 - 11	165	Winnipeg, Man.	May 23/41	Rochester	72	24	47	71
BATHGATE, ANDY	6	182	Winnipeg, Man.	Aug. 28/32	Pittsburgh	74	20	39	59
McCASKILL, TED	6 - 1	190	Kapuskasing, Ont.	Oct. 29/36	Minn.-Memphis	66	17	31	48
Defencemen									
SLY, DARRYL	5 - 10	185	Collingwood, Ont.	Apr. 13/39	Rochester	52	3	22	25
JOHNS, DON	5 - 11	178	St. George, Ont.	Dec. 13/37	Rochester	42	1	13	14
CHERRY, DON	5 - 11	180	Kingston, Ont.	Feb 5/34	Rochester	67	6	16	22
LEMIEUX, BOB	6 - 2	205	Montreal, Que.	Dec. 16/44	Oakland-Van.	63	10	22	32
REAUME, MARC	6 - 1	185	Lasalle, Ont.	Feb. 7/34	Rochester	70	8	22	30
McKENNY, JIM	6	185	Ottawa, Ont.	Dec. 1/46	Roch.-Tor.	51	11	22	33
Goaltenders						GP	GA	SO	AV
GARDNER, GEORGE	5 - 10	175	Lachine, Que.	Oct. 8/42	Detroit-Ft. Worth	24	71	0	3.52
MILLAR, AL	5 - 11	180	Winnipeg, Man.	Sept. 18/29	Quebec	33	100	1	3.39
HODGE, CHARLIE	5 - 6	150	Lachine, Que.	July 28/33	Oakland	55	158	3	2.86

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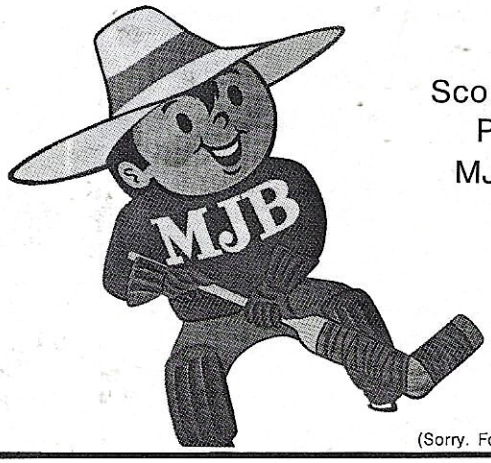

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No 'Patsies' Left In WHL

By CLANCY LORANGER, The Vancouver Province

CLANCY LORANGER

It should be quite a race in the Western Hockey League from here on in. There just aren't any "patsies" left in the league anymore, and the leaders can expect to have a battle on their hands no matter whom they're playing.

The Phoenix Roadrunners proved here a week ago that, with the addition of **Milan Marcetta** and **Brian Smith,** they're going to be rough offensively from now on.

Especially when centre **Jim Paterson** recovers from an injury that presently has him sidelined. In Marcetta, a 40-goal man with Victoria two years ago, **Wayne Carleton** and Paterson they have as good an array of pivots as there is in the league.

Denver Spurs, after floundering around early in the season, have recently been the most torrid club in the WHL. Even when they were losing consistently, the Spurs were never really that bad, and coach **Rudy Pilous** has the club rolling now, as the Canucks found out to their sorrow last weekend, courtesy of a 5-0 setback.

San Diego Gulls, who hit a bad slump right after the Canucks had beaten them twice at home early in December, won two straight from Portland last week and looked more like the team that led the league for quite a while from opening day.

Before Denver started its spurt, the Seattle Totems were the hottest squad in the league for a spell. They had a bit of a relapse after their unbeaten string was snapped at 10 games, but they're a solid team and figure to be dangerous the rest of the way.

That leaves it squarely up to Portland and the Canucks, the two teams most experts picked to finish one-two at the end of the season — and take your choice on the order of finish.

The Canucks haven't looked as good, recently, as they did before that long layoff in mid-January. They caught fire early in December and moved to the top of the WHL standings, but of late they've been inconsistent. A rash of injuries, of course, hasn't helped.

The addition of young **Jim McKenny** from Rochester should help. Although he's primarily a defenceman, the 22-year-old McKenny played a lot of right wing for Rochester and "played well there," according to coach **Joe Crozier.**

It's possible he could be back on the forward line when **Don Johns** recovers from his facial injuries.

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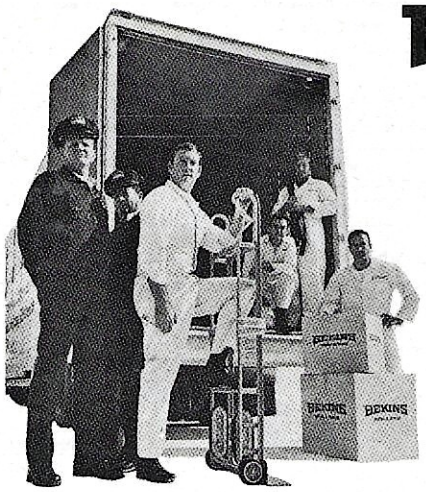

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VANCOUVER CANUCKS SCORING

	GP	G	A	Pts
Bryan Hextall	56	14	48	62
Bob Barlow	57	29	29	58
Andy Bathgate	54	26	22	48
Murray Hall	52	19	29	48
Duke Harris	57	19	17	36
Len Lunde	48	17	17	34
Germain Gagnon	49	7	21	28
Ted Taylor	47	14	13	27
Phil Maloney	52	3	19	22
Don Johns	53	1	20	21
Marc Reaume	42	4	14	18
Darryl Sly	57	4	13	17
Bob Lemieux	49	3	11	14
Ted McCaskill	28	5	7	12
Don Cherry	16	0	3	3
George Gardner	47	0	2	2
Jim McKenny	1	1	0	1

No longer with the team — 24 goals (Gofton, 15; McNeill, 3; Pratt, 2; Sillers, 2; Block, 1; Harbaruk, 1)

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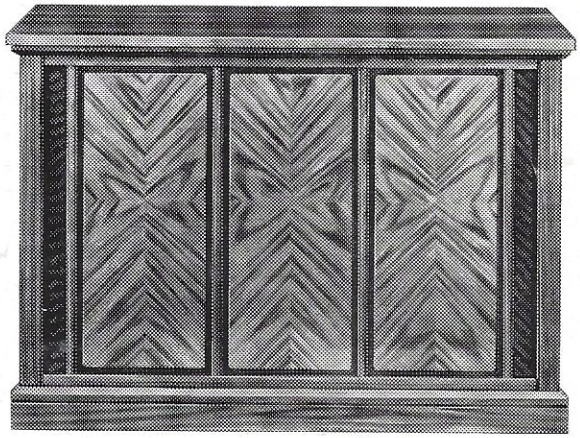

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Every Player Has His Own 'Biggest-Ever' Memory

By JIM ROBSON
CKWX SPORTS DIRECTOR

A big goal . . . big game . . . a championship or a big thrill. Professional athletes all have a story to tell and when you travel with a group of winners like the Vancouver Canucks of this season, the stories are success stories.

All-time great **Andy Bathgate** has scored over 400 goals in professional hockey . . . 334 of them in National Hockey League games and 21 of them in the Stanley Cup playoffs. Most of Andy's career was spent with the New York Rangers, who never made it to the Cup finals in Bathgate's long tenure there. But Bathgate scored nine playoff goals while wearing the Ranger blue.

Ask Bathgate which was the biggest goal he ever scored and he'll pick one in his short stay with the Toronto Maple Leafs.

It came in the Stanley Cup finals of 1964, two months after the big Toronto-New York trade. The Leafs were battling Detroit, the score was tied 2-2 and Bathgate beat **Terry Sawchuck** with the big 3-2 goal in a 4-2 victory.

That was Bathgate's big goal . . . or, was it another goal Handy Andy scored in that same final.

This time in game seven for all the marbles Bathgate broke away to score the first goal of the game. Toronto went on to win 4-0 and Bathgate sipped champagne from Lord Stanley's cup for the first and only time.

But there were others, too. Andy remembers the night he scored on **Jacques Plante** in Montreal to set a modern NHL record of scoring at least one goal in 10 consecutive games.

Bathgate can't remember all his NHL goals, but Canuck **Duke Harris** can remember his.

The hard-working right-winger has only scored one goal in hockey's big time, but at 26 years of age his chance will come to score many more. Ask the Duke about his big goal and he'll tell you it came in a 5-1 Minnesota win over St. Louis early in the 1967-68 season. Harris, who has the hardest shot on the Vancouver hockey club and maybe in the entire Western League, got a big thrill out of a goal this season, too. It came when he was killing a penalty in San Diego and helped beat the Gulls in the Canucks' first game there this season.

Ask **Bryan Hextall** about his biggest-ever goal and he'll tell you about his marker that tied Quebec 1-1 in the last game of last season's Calder Cup finals. Rochester went on to win the game 4-2 and take the series in six games.

Bob Barlow scored two goals in that game and **Len Lunde** scored the winner. Those two goals rate high in Barlow's memory book, but his biggest-ever came in the Western League.

Barlow was with Seattle in the memorable 1962-63 playoffs. The Totems were playing Edmonton in a quarter-final and the deciding game went into overtime. Barlow took a pass from **Guyle Fielder,** deked out **Gilles Boisvert,** and scored at 1:44 of the overtime to keep Seattle in the playoffs.

They went on to lose a seven-game final to San Francisco, but Barlow calls that overtime goal against Edmonton his biggest ever . . . a 23-thousand dollar goal. That's what he figures it was worth to the Seattle club in playoff money.

Goaltenders can't tell about their big goals, only about stopping potential ones.

Ask Canuck **George Gardner** about his greatest thrill and he'll say beating Toronto 4-1 in his first NHL game. He could say allowing only one goal in a five-game span while with Pittsburgh a couple of seasons back. But Gardner's greatest days are still ahead of him.

Not so for **Al Millar,** nearing the end of a goaltending career that dates back to 1950. Millar has played in all the professional leagues of hockey, but surprisingly picks a game he played in the Central League as his greatest ever.

Millar was sent to Tulsa from Victoria late in the 1965-66 season. After Millar arrived, the Oilers won 11 of their last 14 games to get into the playoffs. Then in those playoffs, St. Paul bombed Tulsa 9-0 to deadlock the series and force a deciding game. Someone said Millar quit and let up after the score was 3-0.

The next night in the deciding game, St. Paul jumped into a quick 3-0 lead. Millar didn't let up. The rest of the way he didn't allow a goal as Tulsa battled through 42 minutes of overtime to win 4-3. Millar stopped a phenomenal 79 shots in 102 minutes of hockey.

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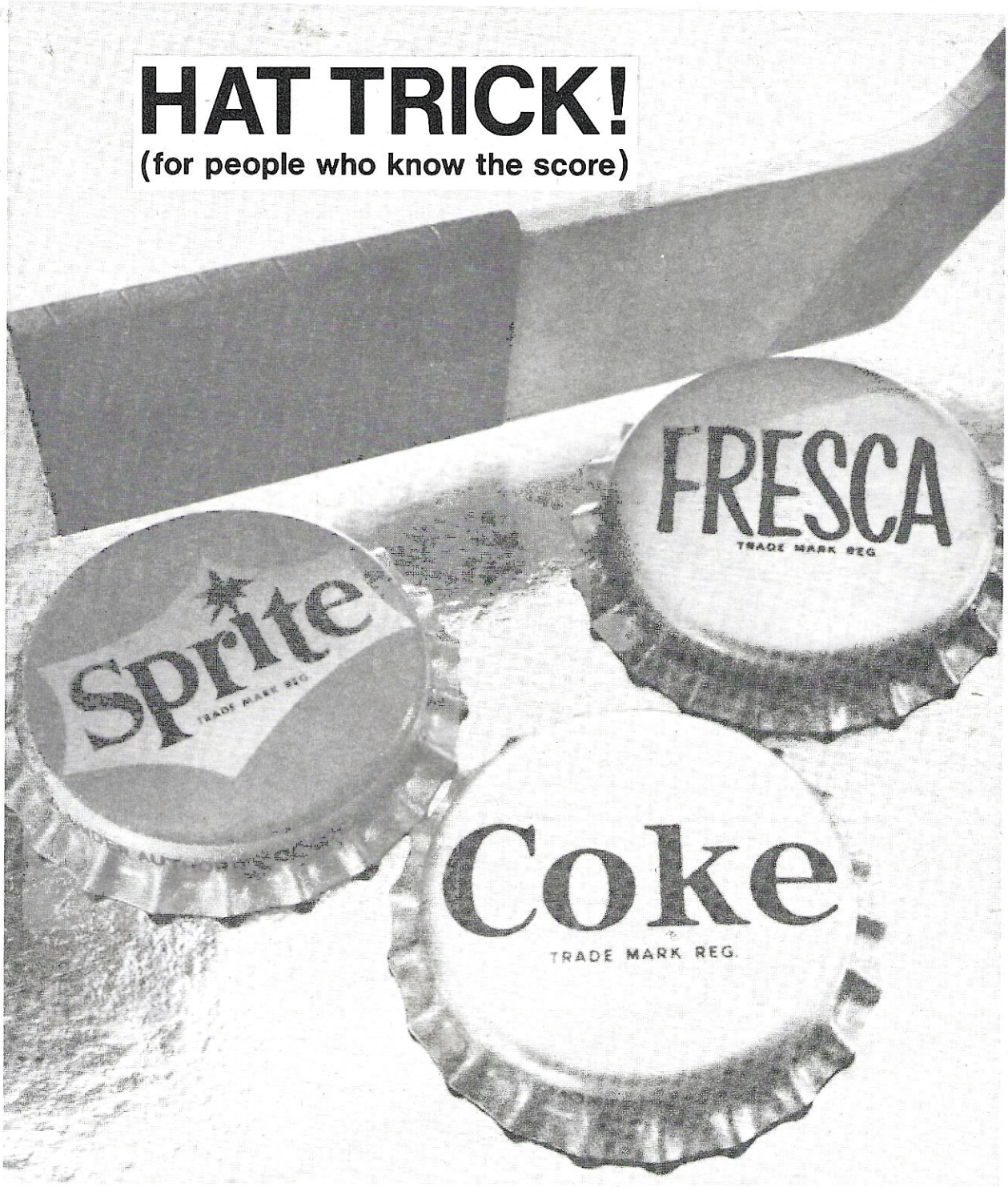

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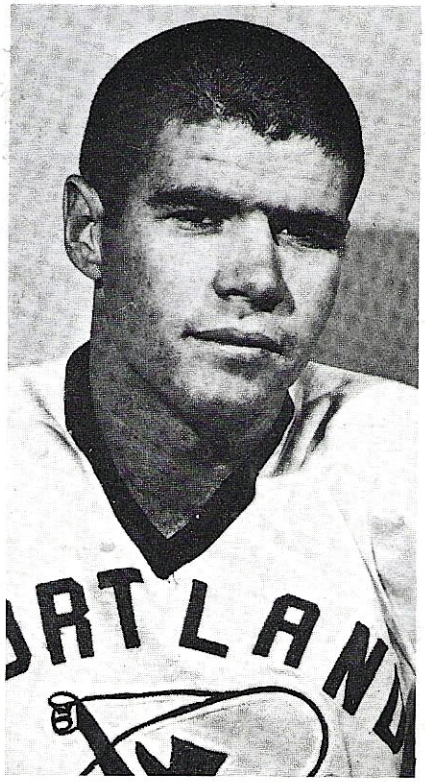

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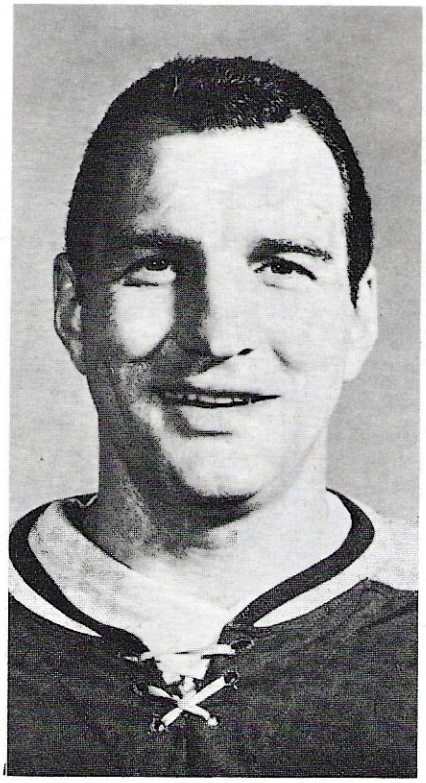

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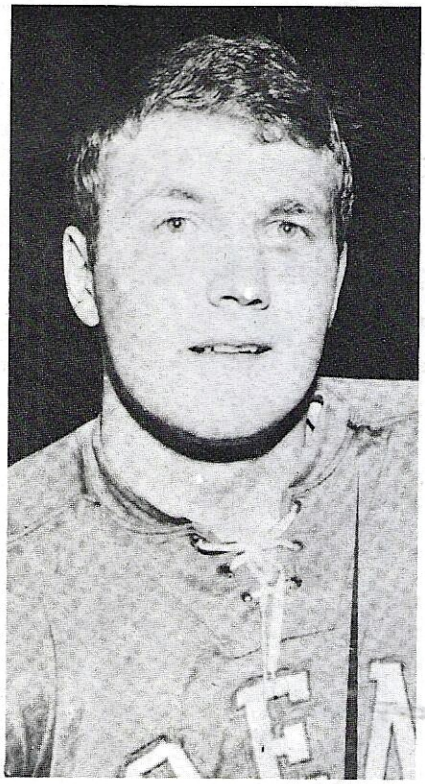

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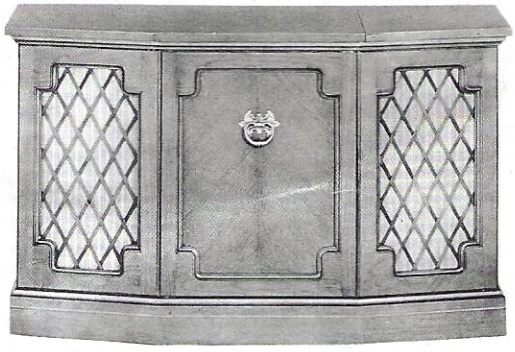

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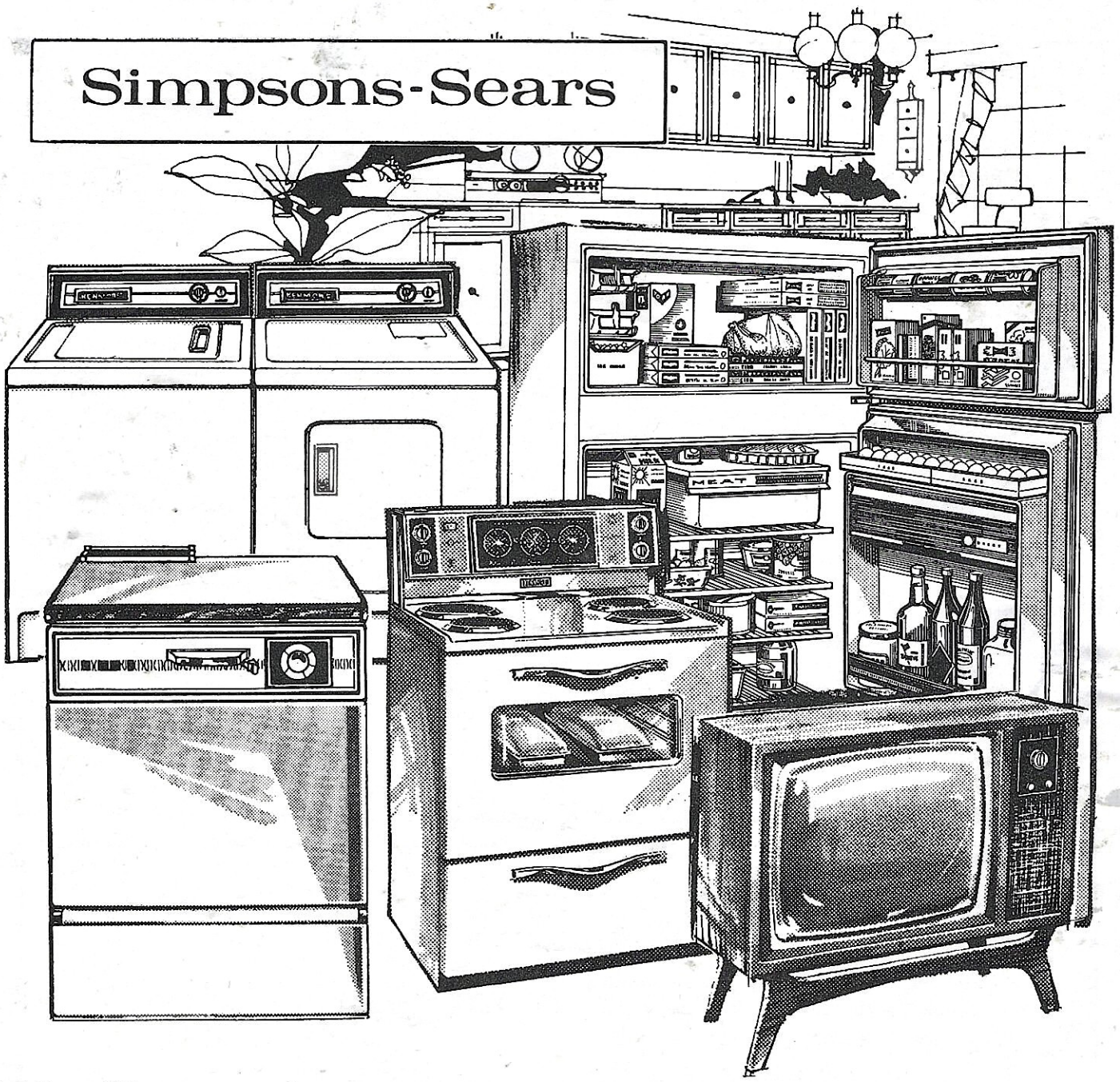

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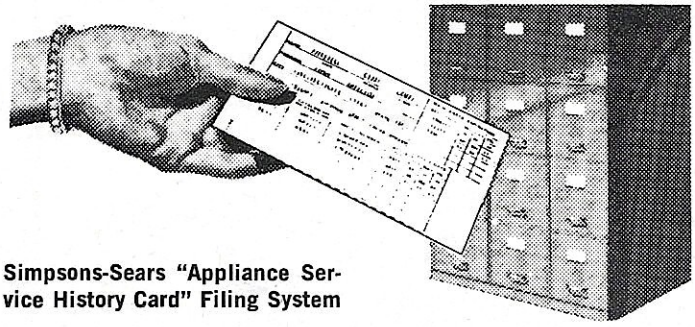

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Take the Vancouver Canucks, for instance. At one time or another nearly all have been loaned, traded or sold. They have played in many places and many climes ranging from Edinburgh to North Bay.

When it comes to trades, **Andy Bathgate** ranks as the club champion. Andy has played in the National Hockey League for New York, Toronto, Detroit and Pittsburgh. Two of those moves involved trades that included 13 players besides himself.

When he went from New York to Toronto, **Don McKenney** went with him. Going the other way were **Dick Duff, Bob Nevin, Bill Collins, Rod Seiling** and **Arnie Brown.**

His shift from Toronto to Detroit involved even more players. **Billy Harris** and **Garry Jarrett** accompanied him to Detroit. **Lowell MacDonald, Ed Joyal, Larry Jeffrey, Aut Erickson** and **Marcel Pronovost** went to Toronto.

And did you know two present Canucks were once traded even up for **Red Kelly,** former Detroit and Toronto star and now coach of the Los Angeles Kings?

Marc Reaume was swapped for Kelly in 1960. **Ken Block,** now on loan to Rochester, was dealt for Kelly in 1967, the deal that freed Red to coach the Kings.

However, let's not restrict this to trades. For example, did you know that:

Bob Barlow has led both the Western and American leagues in scoring during the playoffs . . .

Or that Detroit still holds the right of repurchase to rookie **John Gofton** . . .

Or that **Murray Hall** shares the assists record for the old Eastern Professional Hockey League or that he was once involved in a trade for **Howie Young**?

By now most of you are aware that Hall, **Duke Harris, Ted Taylor, Don Johns** and **Len Lunde** were traded by Minnesota North Stars to Rochester Americans for **Milan Marcetta** and **Jean-Paul Parise** last season —a deal that lifted Rochester from last place to the AHL title.

But did you know Rochester (now Vancouver) still owes Minnesota a player in that deal?

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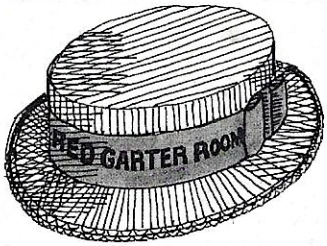
Or how about Reaume's middle name, **Avellin**?

But back to trades and more specifically to **Don Johns.** In a career that has touched almost every pro league there is, John has been:

1. Drafted by New York from Winnipeg Warriors.
2. Traded by New York to Chicago with **Camille Henry, Billy Taylor** and **Wally Chevrier** for **Doug Robinson, Wayne Hillman** and **John Brenneman.**
3. Traded by Chicago to Montreal for **Bryan Watson.**
4. Sold by Montreal to Minnesota.
5. Included in that big Minnesota-Rochester trade.
6. Bought by Vancouver along with the rest of the Rochester team.

Like I said at the start, a hockey player has to be prepared to travel. A journey through the players' guide just tells you how much.



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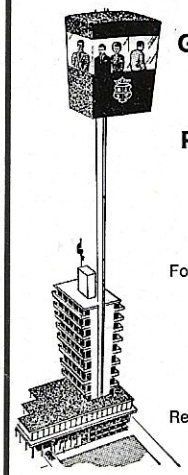

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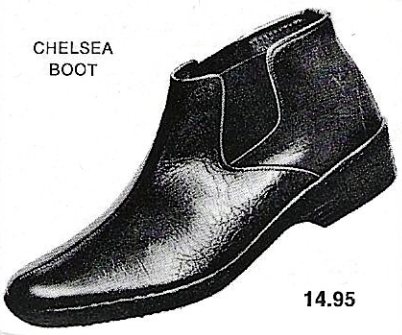

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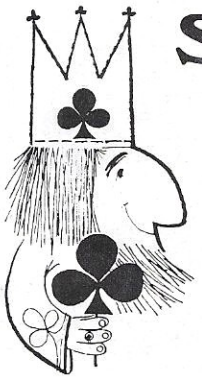

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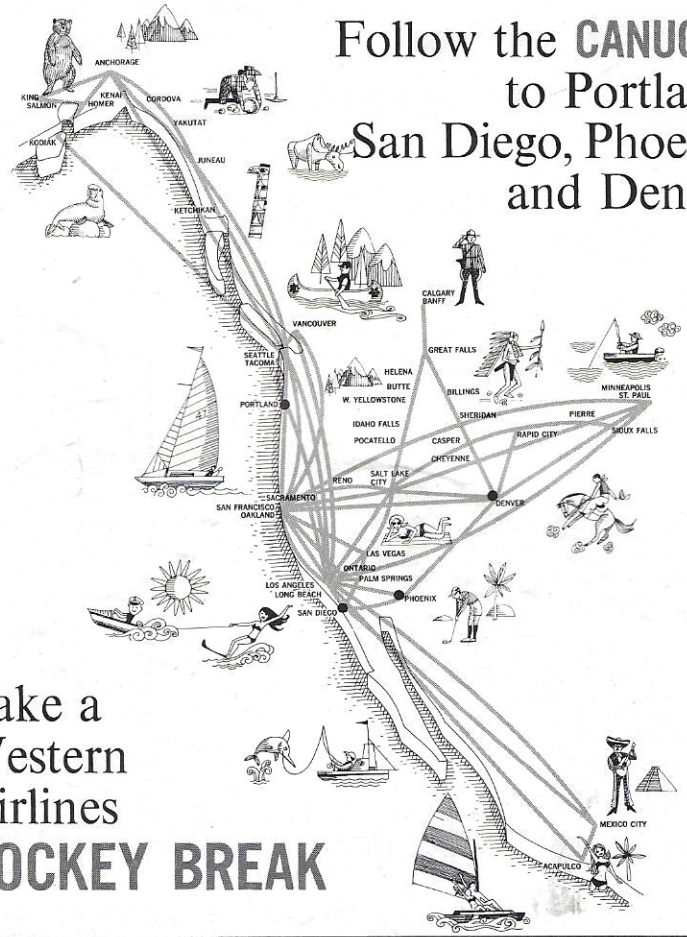

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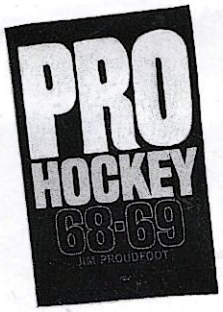

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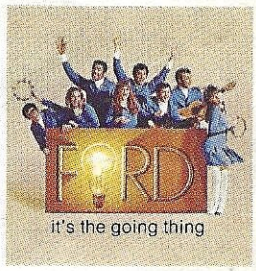

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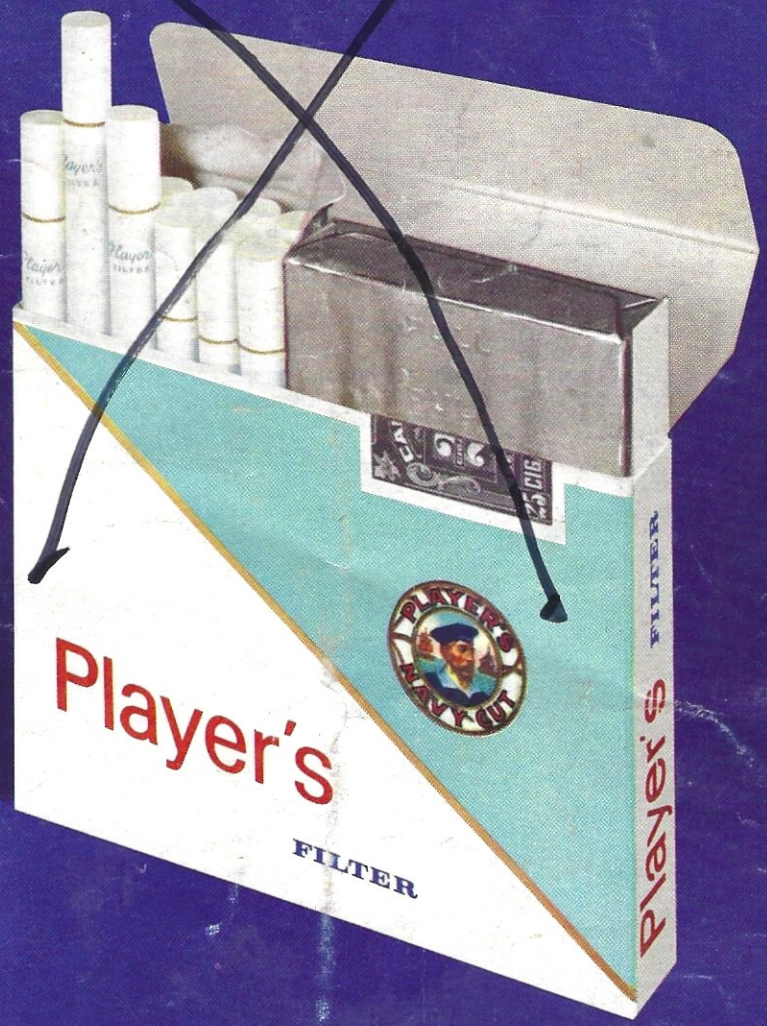
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